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Women in Super pays tribute to Helen Hewett.

In 1993, following a major superannuation conference in Melbourne attended by mostly men, four of the handful of women in attendance - Helen Hewett, Mavis Robertson, Sherridan Lee and Shirley Clarke, met for breakfast the following morning and agreed before they left to meet the following month, and each woman would bring at least one other woman who worked in superannuation with them.

Women in Super was created on that day.

Today it's the largest network of women working in superannuation, and has evolved to advocate for policy reforms to improve women's economic security in retirement, and host the annual Mother's Day Classic, raising millions of dollars for breast cancer research.

Women in Super pays tribute to the life and work of Helen Hewett. Her passion for improving people's lives, from mental health in the workplace to women's financial security and representation in the industry, drives us as we continue to work for better outcomes for women.

Helen was awarded a Member of the Order of Australia in 2019, an honour she received for significant service to the superannuation industry, to mental health – as founder and CEO of SuperFriend - and to women.

Everyone at Women in Super extends their deepest condolences to Helen's family, Rex, Peta and Ken. We won't forget her.